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Dear Educators,

The Office of Public Instruction (OPI) invites you to nominate PK – 20 educators with expertise in Mathematics, Communication Arts, and Indian Education for a working group that will provide input and guidance on the additional Montana content for the Common Core State Standards (CCSS).

The first meeting will be held in Helena on Monday, January 24 – Wednesday, January 26, 2011. Two subsequent meetings and online work between meetings will be required to accomplish the task. Participants traveling from outside of Helena will be reimbursed at the state rate for travel, lodging and meals not included with the meeting. Substitute costs will be reimbursed to the district, if applicable. OPI renewal units will be offered to participants. A stipend will be awarded at the conclusion of the project.

The criteria for selection of the working group members include:

- content knowledge expertise;
- experience integrating Indian Education;
- representation of small/medium/large districts;
- geographic distribution;
- representation of special populations (gifted and talented and special education); and
- Montana's diverse cultures representation.

To nominate an educator, please e-mail the following information to Kris Goyins, kgoyins@mt.gov, or Jean Howard, jhoward@mt.gov, by January 4, 2011.

Participant's Name: Present Employer: Current Position: Telephone: E-Mail:

If you have questions, please contact:

- Kris Goyins, Communication Arts Curriculum Specialist, kgoyins@mt.gov, or (406) 444-0729
- Jean Howard, Mathematics Curriculum Specialist, jhoward@mt.gov, or (406) 444-0706